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ven\_home.lpa, ven\_rfq.lpa, ven\_rfq\_decline.lpa, ven\_rfq\_thanks.lpa) : supports actual reduction to practice of claims 8-21 [workflow]

(tenant\_req\_thanks.lpa, build\_rfq\_thanks.lpa) : supports actual reduction to practice of claims 42-44 [propman\_id]

(tenant\_req\_thanks.lpa, build\_rfq\_thanks.lpa) : supports actual reduction to practice of claims 47, 48 [recipient]

(tenant\_req\_thanks.lpa, build\_rfq\_thanks.lpa, fast\_track\_bid.lpa) : supports actual reduction to practice of claims 49-56 [fast track]

Please note that some of the functionality supporting the claims is associated with the database, for example, claims 42-44, 47-56, but its presence is clearly inferred from the attached files.


Applicant believes the subject matter of remaining pending claims 45 and 46 had been conceived of by Applicant prior to Corrigo, however, Applicant has not thus far been able to easily identify suitable evidence of that. Claims 45 and 46 require many specific features not shown in Corrigo. For example, independent claim 45 and therefore dependent claim 46 both require, "identifying, with the property management system, a property manager or property owner by successively reviewing increasingly more general descriptions of the management affiliation of the property until a property manager or property owner is identified". Applicant can not identify anywhere in Corrigo where this feature is recited, therefore Corrigo does not anticipate claims 45 and/or 46, even if it hasn't been clearly demonstrated to not be prior art to these claims as Applicant believes.

### Conclusion

Applicant respectfully asserts that Corrigo is not prior art to the claimed invention of claims 8-21, 42-44 and 47-56 as shown by the attached affidavit and evidence. Furthermore, Corrigo does not contain all the elements of claims 45 and 46. Finally, the claims have been amended to overcome all rejections raised by Examiner, therefore, Applicant requests an indication of allowability.

If the Examiner has any additional questions, he is encouraged to contact the Attorney of Record, Mark A. Thomas, Reg. No. 37, 953.

Respectfully submitted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2006.

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